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Government Relations Committee MINUTES November 16, 2015 6:30 p.m.

Kittridge Elementary School Auditorium 13619 Kittridge St. Valley Glen, CA 91401

1. Call to Order and Roll Call - meeting called to order at 6:36 p.m. Quorum achieved with J.Price, J D'Antonio, and Walter Hill present.
2. Minutes for Oct. 26, 2015. Motion to approve as corrected by J. Price and 2nd by J.D'Antonio – approved unanimously
3. No Public Comments on non-agenda items
4. Committee Member Comments on non-agenda items – J. D'Antonio reported on special City Council joint meeting of the Budget and Finance Committee and the Public Works and Gang Reduction Committee she attended on 11/16/'15 at City Hall to consider Council File 14-0162-S3 to set Sidewalk Repair Policy. She indicated that the Joint Committees plan to schedule a second part to this meeting that will focus more on tree issues.
5. Discussion of Bureau of Street Services report dated September 16, 2015 relative to Citywide Tree Trimming Services (CF 14-0600-S182 and 15-0600-S50 and 15-0467 S3). J. Price moved and J. D'Antonio seconded motion and CIS to go before the GVGC Board. Passed unanimously.

   MOTION FOR BOARD ACTION: The Greater Valley Glen Council opposes -- unless amended – proceeding with the tree-trimming as indicated in the report from Bureau of Street Services to Public Works and Gang Reduction Committee recommending that BSS use a hybrid approach of allocation of $1,000,000 from the Unappropriated Balance (UB) for staff services as follows: $500,000 for contract tree service inspections and $500,000 for overtime on-demand tree trimming in each council district; and $1,500,000 from the UB for contracted tree trimming services. Given the failure of the Bureau of Street Services to interface with residents on pending tree trimming, the Greater Valley Glen Council opposes funding any tree trimming until a system is in place to notify and accommodate the wishes of residents at least a week prior to trimming. Also, coordination with sidewalk repair plans has to be done prior to scheduling trimming. (CF 14-0600-S182, 15-0600-S50, 15-0467-S3).
   PROPOSED COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENT (if applicable) – 100 words or less:Given the failure of the Bureau of Street Services to interface with residents on pending tree trimming, the Greater Valley Glen Council opposes - unless amended - funding any tree trimming until a system is in place to notify and accommodate the wishes of residents at least a week prior to trimming. Also, coordination with sidewalk repair plans has to be done prior to scheduling trimming.(CF 14-0600-S182, 15-0600-S50, 15-0467-S3)

6. Discussion regarding City of Los Angeles Speed Hump program (CF 14-0252, 14-0252-S1, 14-0252-S2) (formerly CF 09-2727) J. Price moved and J. D'Antonio seconded to get more information from Councilman Kerkorian's office and then agendize this topic for next Government Relations Committee meeting in December. Passed unanimously.
7. Discussion regarding Citywide Ban on Large Vehicles / Overnight Parking on City Streets (CF 15-1189) J. D'Antonio moved to table and J. Price seconded with the view to getting more information by next meeting. Passed unanimously.
8. DWP NC Advocacy Meeting Report -- J. D'Antonio reported on the November 7th meeting held in West Los Angeles.
9. VANC Report J. Price and J. D'Antonio reported on the VANC Forum and Workshop held at Carla's Café at CBS Radford on November 12th. J. D'Antonio attended the CIS workshop. NC Candidate filing will take place between Dec. 24th and Feb. 7th.

10. No discussion of future agenda items

11. Adjournment - Motion to adjourn by J.Price, 2nd by J.D'Antonio. Passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at approx. 8:15 p.m.

*Next meeting will be at 6:30 pm. on **Monday, December 14, 2015-** Kittridge Elementary School*